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## DETROIT BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS

### Minutes of the Board of Police Commissioners Meeting Thursday, August 20, 2009

#### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

The meeting of the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners was held on Thursday, August 20, 2009 at 3:00 p.m. at Police Headquarters, 1300 Beaubien, in Detroit, Michigan.

#### ATTENDANCE

##### Board Members Present

Ronald L. Griffin  
Mohamed Okdie (**ABS**)  
Toney Stewart (**ABS**)  
Adela Rivera  
Jim Holley (**ABS**)

Insp. Nick Kyriacou  
Lt. Darwin Roche  
Sgt. Dwight Snodgrass  
Sgt. Mark Bliss  
Sgt. Bernard Beck-O-Steen  
P.O. Sophia Nelms

##### Department Personnel Present

Chief Warren Evans  
AC Lawrence Meyer  
AC Ralph Godbee  
2<sup>nd</sup> DC Tina Tolliver  
3<sup>rd</sup> DC Melvin Turner  
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Cmdr. Linda Peltier  
Cmdr. Benjamin Lee  
Insp. Stephen Carlin  
Lt. Herbert Myles  
Sgt. Darran Carey  
Sgt. Michael Chambers  
P.O. George Chester

**Board Staff Present**

Dante' L. Goss, Executive Director  
Celia Banks-Washington, Attorney/Supervising Inv. **(ABS)**  
Arnold Sheard, Chief Investigator  
Lt. Lashinda Houser, Police Personnel Bureau  
Lt. Daniel Allen  
Leslie J. Griffin, Community Affairs Coordinator

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Ron Scott	Judge Deborah Thomas
Edward Moore	Julie Semma
Charles White	Rodney Rice

**RECORDERS**

PO Terence Bell  
Robert Brown

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**Comm. Rivera** called the meeting of the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners to order at 3:01 p.m.

She introduced Judge Deborah Thomas of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Judicial Circuit Court.

**2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The Agenda for August 20, 2009 was not presented given the lack of a quorum.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

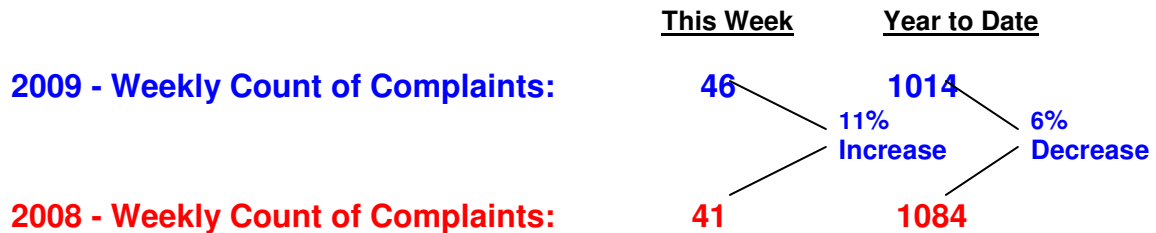
The Minutes for August 6, 2009, August 13, 2009 were not presented given the lack of a quorum.

#### 4. BOPC OFFICER'S REPORT

##### 1. CHAIRPERSON

##### 2. SECRETARY'S REPORT

#### CITIZEN COMPLAINTS RECEIVED



- The Office of the Chief Investigator has a total of **1,159** active investigations, of which **680** of those are for 2009. A total of **1,118** investigations have been closed since January 1, 2009.

#### TOTAL WEEKLY ALLEGATIONS & COMMAND

Total	COMMAND	ALLEGATIONS									Total
CCR	W/E 08/20/09	Arrest	Demeanor	Force	Harassment	Entry	Procedure	Property	Search	Service	Allegations
4	CENTRAL			1			3			1	5
2	EASTERN		3				3				6
6	NORTHEASTERN	1	3	1			2				7
9	NORTHWESTERN*	1	4		1		5			4	15
1	SOUTHWESTERN		1								1
3	COMMUNICATIONS		1							2	3
1	NARCOTICS		1				1				2
1	TACTICAL SERVICES						1				1
1	TRAFFIC		1				1				2
13	Unknown Command*	1	6	3	1		9				20
1	CRIME ANALYSIS	1					1				2
1	HARBORMASTER		1								1
1	SPECIAL CRIMES		1								1
1	FAST						1				1
2	10TH PRECINCT		2								2
47	*Multiple Units & Alleg.	4	24	5	2		27			7	69

## 5. PRESENTATION/REPORT-CHIEF OF POLICE

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# *Detroit Police Department*

## *Report to the Board of Police Commissioners*



### Special Points of Interest:

#### • Next meeting:

Thursday, August 27, 2009

@ 3:00 P.M.

Detroit Police Department  
1300 Beaubien St. 328-A  
Detroit, Michigan 48226

### *"Building a Safer Detroit Through Community Partnerships"*

*The Detroit Police Department is committed to uphold its mission to provide a safe environment for our residents and businesses. This effort is not possible without the joint commitment of the community and the Police Department. We appreciate and value the role our citizens have played in helping us to take the guns and drugs off the streets of the city of Detroit.*

### **SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS**

#### **Domestic Violence**

On August 10, 2009, officers of the Northeastern District responded to the 19000 block of Packard on an "Assault/Family Trouble" and a subject was arrested. As a result of the investigation conducted by members of Domestic Violence, the subject was charged with "Weapons Firearm-Possession by a Felon, 2-counts of Assault with a Dangerous Weapon (Felonious Assault), Weapons-Felony Firearm, Domestic Violence 2nd, and Habitual Offender 4th."

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## Engaging the Community

Citizens wishing to make a police report may do so at the District/Precinct stations in the city of Detroit. Citizens may also utilize the following District Mini/Sub-Stations to make reports.

	<u>Location</u>	<u>Hours of Operation</u>	<u>Telephone</u>
	1300 Beaubien	24 Hours	596-5100
	2151 E. Jefferson	24 Hours	596-6400
	7737 Kercheval	*8 a.m. to 2 p.m.	628-2121
	19810 Grand River	*9 a.m. to 9 p.m.	870-0649
	13530 Lesure	8 a.m. to 11 p.m.	596-5300
	2575 S. Schaefer	*3 p.m. to 9 p.m.	297-9423
	20 Atwater	24 Hours	237-2850
	13206 E. Jefferson	*3 p.m. to 9 p.m.	821-5851
	22101 Moross (St. John Hospital)	*3 p.m. to 9 p.m.	343-7506
	14700 Mack	*3 p.m. to 9 p.m.	852-4046

\* Mini-Stations– Monday –Friday

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## *Police / Community Intervention*

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### **Twelfth Precinct**

On August 11, 2009, officers of the Twelfth Precinct responded to the 4000 block of West Outer Drive on a "Home Invasion." Subsequent to their investigation, a subject was arrested and charged with "Home Invasion 1st."



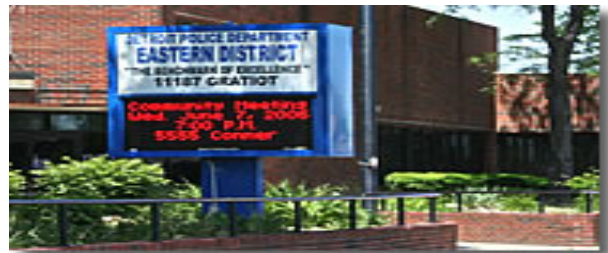
### **Northeastern District**

On August 14, 2009, officers of the Northeastern District responded to the 20000 block of Cardoni on a "Robbery Armed of a Citizen." Subsequent to their investigation, a subject was arrested and charged with "Fleeing & Eluding 3rd, Receiving & Concealing Stolen Property, and Motor Vehicle Advisory." A stolen vehicle was recovered.



### **Southwestern District**

On August 14, 2009, officers of the Southwestern District responded to the 8000 block of Elmira on a "Person With a Weapon." As a result of their investigation a subject was arrested and charged with "Felonious Assault."



### **Northwestern District**

On August 12, 2009, while on patrol in the 14000 block of Crescent Drive, officers were given information on a felonious assault that just happened. Due to the officers' investigation, a subject was arrested and charged with two counts of "Assault with Intent to Murder, Felonious Assault, Assault with Intent to do Great Bodily Harm, Felony Firearm, and Malicious Destruction of Property."



**Judge Thomas** gave an overview of a proposed idea "Change Detroit for Good Youth Musical Competition".

It has been my observation, both on and off the Criminal Division Bench of the Wayne County Circuit Court that the lack of positive citizen participation from Detroit's young people results not from apathy, but from fear. The fear is not limited to reprisals from neighborhood thugs. Our youth also fear any form of contact with the police. Based upon my experience as a lifetime Detroit resident, Judge, lawyer, educator, parent, and community volunteer, I submit that we must substantially reduce the level of fear our young people experience in their daily lives.

While I was raised in an era when children "should be seen and not heard", I submit that the solutions we seek to both youth violence and lack of youth participation in solving crime, may come from the mouth of babes. I propose that we listen to our young people and their ideas to improve our crime problem in Detroit by sponsorship of a "Change Detroit for Good Youth Musical Competition".

The "Change Detroit for Good" youth musical competition could be a new feature of the City's Angel Night Halloween effort. Children and young adults ages 8 through 22, would be given an opportunity to submit CDs or DVDs in which they perform musical selections written and performed by themselves on the topics of "how to stop crime", "how to reclaim their neighborhoods and schools", for the good of all Detroiters.

The competition should be divided into three age groups with initial submissions being reduced to four top qualifiers from each age group by a team of volunteer judges. The top 12 selections, based both on message and performance, would be submitted to the public for voting by having them air on radio, television and/or computer. I suggest that the top two winners of each age group could be viewed over the Halloween Angel's Night three-day effort with the final winner of each group being honored during the Thanksgiving holiday, perhaps at the parade, giving thanks to all participants for helping to "Change Detroit for Good".

An additional benefit to the youth participation is planting the thought of Good Detroit in the minds of our youth, through preparing for their performances. The young people will also provide good ideas and messages to the entire Detroit community by having their music played over mass media for an extended period of time; listeners will benefit as well.

This proposal will require refinement and adult participation which can make it a success. I request your feedback and organizations' participation in our effort which can improve the quality of life for all Detroiters, our youth, our future, in particular.

She would like this to be a joint effort to bridge the relationship between the police department and the citizens of Detroit especially the youth.

**Comm. Rivera** asked if the age group was 18-22.

**Judge Thomas** stated no, it was 8-22 because they want to get to the young ones and let them know about all of the programs the police department offers.

**Chief Evans** stated he would love to be involved.

**Chairperson Griffin** stated that Ms. Griffin will work with Judge Thomas, and that she has the Board's support.

**Judge Thomas** thanked everyone for their support.

**Chairperson Griffin** stated he expects a weekly report from Ms. Griffin.

**Chief Evans** introduced DC Tolliver of Budget Operations.

**2<sup>nd</sup>DC** Tolliver introduced her staff and gave a brief overview Budget Operations.

## **SEE ATTACHMENT**

### **6. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

There were no standing committee reports.

### **7. NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business.

### **8. OLD BUSINESS**

#### **1. GRANTS APPROVAL:**

**1. REQUEST TO ACCEPT A COPS HIRING RECOVERY PROGRAM (CHRP) GRANT FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICES'S OFFICE OF COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICES**

**2. REQUEST PERMISSION TO ACCEPT A DETROIT – STATE BYRNE JAG GRANT (50001-1-09-B) FROM THE STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH**

**3. REQUEST PERMISSION TO ACCEPT A DETROIT TECHNOLOGY GRANT (50002-1-09-B) FROM THE STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH**

The Grants were not approved given the lack of a quorum.

#### **2. RESOLUTIONS APPROVAL: MS. HELEN B. GILLESPIE MS. SANDRA A. BUTLER**

The Resolution was not approved given the lack of a quorum.

9. **ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING**

Thursday, August 27, 2009  
Police Headquarters  
1300 Beaubien, Rm. 328-A  
Detroit, MI 48226

10. **ORAL COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE**

**R. Rice** stated the area between 6 Mile and Nevada continues to have problems with the drag prostitution because his neighbors and himself can't sleep at night and would like some relief.

**Chief Evans** stated he received his earlier complaint and would give it some special attention.

**R. Rice** stated they are out around 3 am in the mornings.

**Chief Evans** stated they were in that area yesterday based on a complaint and would look at the time factors.

**C. White** stated he is back because the towing company sold his vehicle.

**Chief Evans** stated the towing company was here 2 weeks ago and stated that they had refunded you the price of your car to his recollection.

**Exec Dir. Goss** stated they re-bought his car.

**C. White** stated they bought him a shell back. He stated the car was stripped and has several estimates to repair his car.

**Chief Evans** asked if the car was drivable.

**C. White** stated no, it is sitting on 7 Mile at the repair shop as they speak. He stated it appears that the towing company has friend who work for the police department in their pocket.

**Chief Evans** stated when you got your car back it was a wreck.

**C. White** stated the damage that was done after the accident. The motor is shot.

**Chief Evans** stated if it was sold then why was it junked.

**C. White** stated someone stole all of his property out of the vehicle.



**Chief Evans** asked if he knew the name of the tow company friend within the department.

**C. White** stated no, but he is going to get that information because it was sold without a title, and a police hold on it.

**Chief Evans** asked for Mr. White to leave his name and number so he can contact him.

**Comm. Rivera** asked if his car was insured.

**C. White** stated no.

#### 11. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

**DANTE' L. GOSS**  
Executive Director  
Board of Police Commissioners

**DLG/rb**